# YOUR JOB IS SECURE!

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve 1-800-336-4590 \* www.esgr.org

As a uniformed service member, you have rights under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), Title 38, Chapter 43, United States Code.

### **Your Rights:**

Military leave of absence (up to five years of voluntary service)
Prompt reinstatement back into your job
Accumulation of seniority, including pension plan benefits
Reinstatement of health insurance, regardless of pre-existing conditions
Training or retraining of job skills, including accommodations for disabled
Protection against discrimination

## Your Responsibilities:

Before Reporting for Duty: Provide prior notice to employer (preferably in writing)

While Performing Duty: Serve under honorable conditions
After Release from Duty: Return to work in a timely manner

#### Reemployment Timetable:

Less than 31 days of service

-Report next work day after safe travel home and 8 hours of rest
-Apply for reinstatement within 14 days of release from active duty
-Apply for reinstatement within 90 days of release from active duty

# **How to Resolve an Employment Issue:**

Inform your unit/military chain of command
Contact ESGR (1-800-336-4590, ncesgr-ombud@osd.mil or www.esgr.org)
If not resolved, contact the Department of Labor (1-866-4-usa-dol or www.dol.gov)
May consult a private attorney (at own expense, precludes ESGR assistance)

# **How to Recognize a Supportive Employer:**

Nominate them for an award from ESGR Go to the ESGR web site at; <a href="www.esgr.org">www.esgr.org</a> Click on 'Military Members' and then 'Patriot Award' Fill out and submit the Patriot Award nomination form right on line!

# **Other Helpful Web Sites:**

www.tricare.osd.mil/reserve, information on TRICARE coverage www.sba.gov/vets, information for small business owners www.soc.aascu.org, information for college students www.usmilitary.about.com/od/sscra, Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) www.militaryonesource.com, on-line counseling, information and resources

